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FOR AMBASSADOR MCHENRY FROM DICK MOOSE

E.O.11652: GDS TAGS: PDEV, WA

SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF CONTACT GROUP TO LUANDA

REFS: A. LAGOS 14170, B. LAGOS 14173

1. SECRETARIES VANCE AND OWEN REVIEWED THE QUESTION OF CONTACT GROUPS RETURN TO LUANDA THIS MORNING AND AGREED THAT THE EFFORT SHOULD BE MADE. WHILE I HAD NOT RECEIVED REF B, I DID PRESENT YOUR ARGUMENTS BASED ON REF A. THEIR FIRM AGREEMENT WAS THAT WE SHOULD NOT PASS UP WHAT COULD BE AN OPPORTUNITY HOWEVER SLIGHT. IN CONFIDENTIAL

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SUBSEQUENT DAYS SWAPO COULD PORTRAY YOUR DECLINING TO COME AS A REBUFF. CONVERSELY YOUR TRAVELING THE EXTRA MILE - OR MORE ACCURATELY THOUSAND MILES - AT THIS TIME WOULD BE IMPRESSIVE DEMONSTRATION TO FRONT LINE OF OUR EARNEST.

2. YOU DO, OF COURSE, HAVE A PROBLEM IN HOW YOU PRESENT

THE BRIEFING BUT IT SEEMS TO ME THAT YOU MUST TAKE THE OFFENSIVE AND SAY THAT THERE IS A POSSIBILITY OF MOVEMENT ON PART OF SAG AND THAT TIME IS WORKING AGAINST SWAPO WHICH CANNOT EXPECT WORLD UNDERSTANDING IF IT REMAINS INTRANSIGENT.

3. I HAVE SENT REF B OUT TO THE SECRETARY AT NATO FOR HIS DECISION. MY RECOMMENDATION AND JOHNNY GRAHAM'S TO OWEN IS THAT THE CONTACT GROUP SHOULD GO. I DO NOT KNOW WHEN SECRETARY WILL HAVE A CHANCE TO RESPOND.

4. I HAVE TRIED TO RETURN YOUR TELEPHONE CALL BUT, AS USUAL, SO FAR UNABLE TO GET THROUGH TO LAGOS. VANCE UNQTE CHARISTOPHER

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